



JANUARY 2018

United Methodist Church of Lake Ronkonkoma

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GET ORGANIZED in 2018

Time to organize? Along with all of the the other clearance and organization tasks you need to do, don't forget about disaster preparation in the new year. Begin with your personal preparation. Below is a personal guide and attached are two forms that the DPR committee would like to introduce to you and encourage you to take advantage of in 2018.

Individual Needs form:

The individual needs form is intended to provide a way for you to capture essential information and have it available in an emergency so that caregivers could provide the correct assistance. For those of you who live alone you may also want to provide a copy of this completed form to the church office for use by church caregivers should an emergency arise at the church.

Volunteer Skills Survey Form:

The volunteer skills survey is intended to capture the individual skills of our congregation. Each person has a skill set that could be the difference in time of emergency. Filling out this form does not imply that you are volunteering for any specific tasks. The form is simply a way of learning more about our congregation. Please return a copy of the completed form to the church office.

Personal Preparedness:

At a minimum, individual/family disaster preparedness suggests the following:

- 1. Enough emergency supplies to last 3-5 days to function without the normal utility, supply and transportation infrastructure, i.e. without phones, trips to the stores, electricity, gasoline or an outside source of water.
- 2. Remember, when power goes out, ATM machines will not work. That means get extra cash in place to tide you over until power comes back on line.
- Preparations for taking care of the children, especially if the event happens while parents or guardians are at work.
- 4. The identification of an out-of-area telephone number or e-mail address and person to be contacted for family check-in and to serve as the point of communication between family members until they can rejoin. Connecting out-of-area calls often happens quicker than local calls after a disaster. However, remember that the telephone and internet communications may be unusable for a period of time after a disaster, <u>although texting service may remain available</u>, even when regular telephone and cell phone service is unusable.
- Evacuation and reassembly instructions if evacuating your home. Identify a place where the
 family will gather and determine what each person will need to take. Be sure to plan for
 your pets.
- 6. After your plan is worked out and your family members know what to do, review your disaster plan with a member of the Disaster Preparation and Response committee. Then be prepared to help each other out if the need arises.
- 7. Also:
- A. Know how & when to shut off utilities.
- B. Have and know how to use fire extinguishers and where they are located.
- C. Pre-assign immediate response tasks to family members. Make sure you have a <u>realistic</u> plan for your family in emergencies and that ALL family members are aware of the plan.

VISION STATEMENT OF THE NY ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The New York Annual Conference through the grace of God embodies the beloved community of hope, building up a healthy body of Christ, with heartwarmed United Methodists in mission for the transformation of the world.

VISION STATEMENT OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LAKE RONKONKOMA

We are the church at Five Corners spreading the "Light of Christ" from ourselves to the community and the world.

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This form is intended to provide a way for you to capture essential information and make it available in an emergency so that caregivers could provide the correct assistance. You may also provide a copy of this completed form to the church office for use by church caregivers should an emergency arise at the church.

Name:
Spouse:
E-mail Address:
List names and ages of additional members in household:
Do you speak a foreign language? No Yes Language
Residence Type: Single Family Mobile Home Apt (floor and number)
Name of Residential Complex:
Are You? Legally Blind Deaf Mute Aphasic Are you homebound? Yes No
Do you use a wheelchair? Always Most of the time Sometimes
Do you use a walker/cane? Always Most of the time Sometimes
Do you require a special diet? No Yes Type:
List Special Medical Needs (Ex: homeless, severe cardiac, diabetic on insulin)
Do you rely on electricity for home medical treatments? Yes No
Have you registered with the County Emergency Management Dept. for help in an evacuation? Yes No
Family Physician:Phone Number
Emergency Contact:Phone Number
Do you have a dog(s) No Yes How Many? Do you have a cat(s) No Yes How many?
Other pets?
(Note: Pets are <u>NOT</u> allowed in all shelters. Make evacuation-shelter arrangements for them <u>BEFORE</u> a disaster.)
Do you have transportation in an emergency? Yes No Ambulance / Ambulette
Other pertinent information

Lections

January 7
Epiphany Sunday
Baptism of the Lord

Gen. 1:1-5 Ps. 29 (UMH 761) Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11

January 14 Second Sunday After the Epiphany Human Relations Day

1 Sam. 3:1-10 (11-20)
Ps. 139:1-6, 13-18
(UMH854)
1 Cor. 6:12-20

January 21 Third Sunday After the Epiphany Ecumenical Sunday

> Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Ps. 62:5-129 (UMH 787) 1 Cor. 7:29-31 Matt. 1:14-20

January 28 Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

Deut. 18:15-20 Ps. 111 (UMH832) 1 Cor. 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28

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Volunteer Skills Survey: This survey is intended to identify the skill set of our parishioners. Each of us has unique skills that may be of use in an emergency. Please complete the volunteer skills survey and return a copy to the church office.

NAME:	PHONE NUMBER			
EMAIL				

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE	ONS VOLUNTEER SKILLS SURVEY CLEAN-UP DISASTER-AFFECTED RESIDENCES			
Language(s) spoken:	Clean up disaster-affected residences			
American Sign Language	Clean church building(s) following meals, etc.			
Other (describe)	Laundry services			
Other (describe)	Chain Saw Certified			
MATERIAL SUPPLIES	Tool maintenance			
Prepare UMCOR kits	Other (describe)			
Manage donated goods	Other (describe)			
Obtain durable medical equipment	CLEANING / MAINTENANCE OF CHURCH			
Obtain eye glasses; hearing aids	Clean bathrooms / kitchen / other:			
Obtain / manage construction materials	Assure paper goods supplied in bathrooms / kitche			
Other (describe)	Other (describe)			
FOOD / NUTRITION	TEMPORARY SHELTER			
Serve in food pantry	Willing to house displaced person / people #			
Prepare meals	Volunteer in Red Cross shelter			
Serve meals	Other (describe)			
Deliver meals to home bound	Other (describe)			
Provide food for pantry	COMMUNICATIONS			
Other (describe)	Answer phones			
Other (describe)	Data entry / information management			
PETS / LIVESTOCK	Ham radio operator			
Can temporarily shelter livestock	Disaster response coordination			
Can temporarily shelter investock Can temporarily shelter pets (specify)	Other (describe)			
Provide pet food	ELECTRONICS / INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY			
Provide feed for livestock	Computer maintenance			
Volunteer in pet shelter	Phone / TV / Internet maintenance			
Other (describe)	Other (describe)			
Other (describe)	Other (describe)			
CAREGIVING	MEDICAL / MENTAL HEALTH / SOCIAL SERVICES			
Designated listener	Describe			
Outreach / Information & Referral				
Emotional / Spiritual Caregiver	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			
Prayer partner / Prayer chain	Legal			
Child care	Architectural			
Senior care / Respite care	Education			
Other (describe)	Security / Safety Officer			
,	Grant writing / Fundraising			
TRANSPORTATION (licensed / insured)				
Driver for people to medical appointments	RESIDENTIAL REPAIR (circle each that applies)			
Have CDL license	Construction / Drywall /			
Deliver relief supplies	Electrician / Plumber			
Use of utility trailer	Roofing / Siding / Flooring			
Other (describe)	Other (describe)			

Martha's Place Thrift Shop

631-981-9749

Hours:

Mondays 10am - 2pm

Tuesdays 10am - 2pm

Fridays 10am - 2pm

Saturdays 10am - 2pm We hope that everyone had a happy holiday season and are now breathing a sigh of relief that all worked out the best for your families. The holidays can be joyful but sometimes stressful as well.

The Thrift Shop had a great ending to the year and now we are busy reorganizing and getting ready for the yearly themes ahead; e.g. St. Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, and Easter.



Hope you came into the shop on December 17th to pick up those last minute ornaments, candles, candy dishes, or Christmas sweaters, vests or sweat shirts. We sure hope you did!!!

Thank you for keeping your shop open with your many donations of gently used clean clothing. We have been blessed by your yearlong donations.

Just to let you know, we are still in need of a Tuesday helper. Our hours are 10:00 - 2:00 Mon. Tues. Fri. Sat.

In God's service, Marilee Drisgula and all volunteers







The UMM will be having their winter retreat at Camp Quinipet, Shelter Island from Friday, January 26 to Sunday, January 28. The cost is \$110 person and includes all meals and a Saturday program. Please see Keith Bowes for details or call him at 631-585-5634.



Christmas Cantata



December 10, 2017





Reminder:

Articles for the February Good News should be submitted to the office no later than January 15.

Save the Date!

-D2D-

Disciple to Disciple Training

- Long Island East District of the NYAC -

Saturday February 3th @ Hampton Bay UMC Saturday February 10th @ Westbury UMC

What is D2D?

D2D is a one day district event for the empowerment and edification of everyday Christians. It is an opportunity to develop and hone necessary skills for those who serve, or who want to serve, in leadership roles in the church. All presenters are experts in their field, and voluntarily give of their time and energy to help us become more effective and faithful disciples of Jesus. It's also an opportunity to worship, fellowship, and network with Methodist across our district. There is *no cost* to the event and a delicious lunch is provided.



If you're interested in joining, please see Pastor or Eileen Torraca.



"We exist to REACH youth in order to SHARE the light of Christ and together CONNECT, so we can GROW in our ability to GLORIFY God!"

The 5Cs Youth Group hopes you had a very merry Christmas and they wish you a happy, healthy new year! We resumed on Wednesday, January 3, 2018. Looking forward to a wonderful and exciting winter and spring! The upcoming calendar of events is now available for the rest of the school year. It will be posted on the website.

Save the Date: District East Youth Retreat

4/20-4/22 at Camp Quinipet

More info to follow...

Thank you to all those who contributed to the angel gift cards for those locally in need. Also, thank you to all those who purchased Christmas wreaths and to those that came Caroling with us! It was a fantastic way to end 2017!

Lisa Eger UMCLR Youth Coordinator Lisa@umclr.com Call or text: 516-650-3443



Hold the date!!! UMW Retreat at Quinipet April 27, 28, & 29, 2018



Game Night!

All adults are welcome to join us for Game Night on Friday, January 19th.

Enjoy a night out filled with fun and fellowship!

"Alpha" Program

ATTENTION- Please consider joining us for a new study beginning in the Lenten season called ALPHA. We will be meeting on Thursday evenings beginning on February 15, 2018. We will share food, fellowship and study time together. The program runs until April 19, 2018. There will be a Saturday retreat day which is a VERY important part of the program.

Alpha is a program for new and experienced Christians and has been successfully used in many churches. We did the program in our church many years ago. People will be introduced to Jesus in a whole new way. You are encouraged to bring a friend or neighbor to this class. It can be a life changing experience.

What is Alpha? It is a series of 15 interactive sessions over about 11 weeks including the weekend day apart. The sessions have a flow so you should try to set all the dates aside to join us. That is why we are talking about it now so you can put it on your calendar.

We are excited to offer this program and a sign up board will be in Hertlin Hall soon. If you have questions please see Diane Hatton, Marilyn Becht or Pastor Pak.

The following support groups hold meetings in our building:

Narcotics Anonymous ---Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Alcoholics Anonymous ---Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, Fridays at 8:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

COPE (Connecting Our Paths Eternally) --A grief and healing organization dedicated to helping parents
and families living with the loss of a child.
Fourth Friday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library

Please call our church office at 631-588-5856 for further information.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

December 17, 2017







Please notify the church office of any telephone number, address or email address changes so that we may update our files.

Learn to love without condition. Talk without bad intention. Give without any reason. And most of all, care for people without any expectation.

December 24, 2017 7:00 P.M. Christmas Eve Family Service









ANTHEM: "Angels We Have Heard on High" Children's Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE







Candle of Hope

Candle of Peace

Candle of Joy





Candle of Love

The Christ Candle







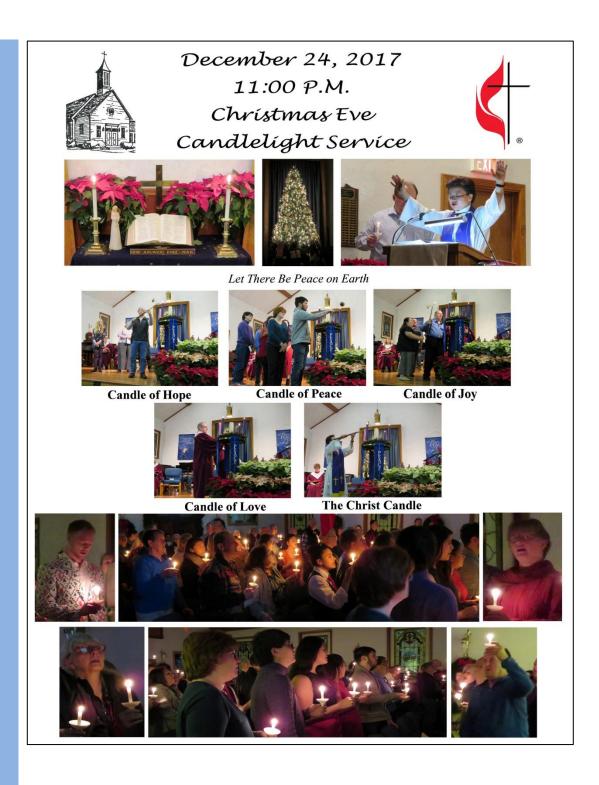


SPREADING THE LIGHT

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

OF LAKE RONKONKOMA





The Mission Committee thanks the congregation for their support of the Christmas Card program. \$305 dollars was collected for a needy family. We greatly appreciate your generosity!

~Food Pantry~

We are in need of additional food supplies for our clients. They have come to depend on our church to assist in their nutritional health.

The following canned goods would be very helpful:

- Tuna
- Red Kidney Beans
- Sardines
- White Beans
- Salmon
- Pinto Beans
- Clams
- Baked Beans
- Chicken
- Black Beans
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Cereals Hot & Cold
- Soups/Broths Any variety
- Tomatoes Sauce, Paste, Whole
- Corn
- String Beans

- Beets Yams Potatoes

- Peaches
- Pears
- Pineapple
- Applesauce
- Dressings Salad, Oil, Mustard, Ketchup, Mayo
- Rice Brown/White
- Pasta Any variety
- Coffee
- Tea
- Hot Chocolate
- Non refrigerated Milk
- Juices

Please be sure to check the expiration dates! Drop off on Sundays before or after service or during our church office hours (Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.).

Thank you for your generosity!

BOARD & COMMITTEE MEETINGS- 2018

CHURCH COUNCIL - 7:30 PM	NURTURE - 11:15 AM		
Tuesday 2/6	Sunday 1/21		
Tuesday 5/8	Sunday 3/18		
Tuesday 9/11	Sunday 5/20		
Tuesday 11/13	Sunday 7/15		
	Sunday 9/16		
	Sunday 11/25		
EDUCATION - TBA			
	SPPRC - 7:30 PM		
	Tuesday 1/9		
EVANGELISM & MISSIONS - 7:00 PM	Tuesday 2/13		
Monday 1/8	Tuesday 5/1		
Monday 2/12	Tuesday 9/4		
Monday 3/19	Tuesday 10/9		
Monday 4/2			
Monday 5/21	STEWARDSHIP - 7:30 PM		
Monday 6/18	Tuesday 3/27		
Monday 7/16	Tuesday 5/22		
Monday 8/27	Wednesday 8/28		
Monday 10/15			
Sunday 11/11 - 11:15 AM	TRUSTEES - 7:00 PM		
	Tuesday 1/2		
FINANCE - 7:30 PM	Tuesday 2/13		
Tuesday 1/16	Tuesday 3/6		
Tuesday 4/17	Tuesday 4/3		
Tuesday 6/19	Tuesday 5/1		
Tuesday 9/18	Tuesday 6/5		
Monday 11/19	Tuesday 7/10		
	Tuesday 8/7		
LAY LEADERSHIP-NOMINATIONS	Tuesday 9/4		
Thursday 5/3	Tuesday 10/2		
Thursday 6/21	Tuesday 11/6		
Thursday 9/13	Tuesday 12/4		
NURSERY SCHOOL - 7:30 PM	WORSHIP - 11:15 AM		
Monday 1/8	Sunday 2/4		
Monday 4/16	Sunday 3/4		
Monday 4/10 Monday 6/4	Sunday 5/6		
Monday 9/17	Sunday 8/26		
Monday 12/17	Sunday 11/4		
Monday 12/1/	Junday 11/ 4		

^{*}These are the regular meetings scheduled. If you need to change any date, please consult with the pastor and check the wall calendar in the office.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

These names are offered each month as an opportunity to extend to our friends and loved ones the love of Christ on these special days and to express our thanks for the gift of their presence in our midst.

If you would like to be on our birthday list, call the church office at (631) 588-5856 and we will gladly add your name.

- **1** William Otto
- 1 Rex Enderlin
- 3 Harry Roseen
- 5 April Paul
- 7 Joyce McVeigh
- 8 Marilee Drisgula
- 9 Ralph Pearl
- 14 Diane June
- 15 Tracy Pearl
- 18 Alexandra Van Sicklin
- **19** Marilyn Nicholson
- 21 Kaitlyn Guiffre
- Jennie Mortenson
- **22** John Paynter
- 22 Amanda Graf
- 23 Jennie Olivotti
- 24 Ilona Torraca
- **24** Kevin Hartmann
- **26** Christine Paynter
- **26** Bill Paul
- **26** Richard Schoenemann
- Michael Van Sicklin
- 31 Ronald Drisgula
- 31 Jarrel Guerrero

Ongoing Missions:

Loaves & Fishes
Soup Kitchen of the
UMCLR is open
Tuesdays and
Thursdays at 5:00 pm
in Fellowship Hall

The Emergency
Food Pantry
is open on
Wednesdays
12:45 pm - 3:00 pm

Support Groups:

Narcotics Anonymous Mondays at 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall

Alcoholics
Anonymous
Tuesdays at 6:30pm
and 8:30 pm, and
Fridays at 8:00 pm in
Fellowship Hall

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January 2018									
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
	1 New Year's Day Thrift Shop Closed NA 7	2 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 No Soup Kitchen AA 6:30 & 8:30 Trustees 7	3 Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 Food Pantry 12:45-3 Youth Group 6:00 Chapel Choir 6:30 Confirmation 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30	4 Soup Kitchen 5 Girl Scouts 6:30 Girls Scouts 7 Rabbit Breeders Assoc. in Library 8	5 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 AA 8	6 Thrift Shop 10 – 2			
7 Baptism Sunday	8 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 NA 7 Nursery School Committee 7:30	9 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Soup Kitchen 5 AA 6:30 & 8:30 SPPRC 7:30	Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 Food Pantry 12:45-3 Youth Group 6:00 Chapel Choir 6:30 Confirmation 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30	11 Soup Kitchen 5 Girl Scouts 6:30 Girls Scouts 7	12 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 AA 8	13 Thrift Shop 10 – 2			
14 Evangelism & Missions - after service	15 The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Observance Church Office Closed Thrift Shop 10 – 2 NA 7	Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Soup Kitchen 5 AA 6:30 & 8:30 Finance 7:30	Morning Prayer 7 AM Craft Group 12 Food Pantry 12:45-3 Youth Group 6:00 Chapel Choir 6:30 Confirmation 7:30 Chancel Choir 7:30	18 Soup Kitchen 5 Girl Scouts 6:30 Girls Scouts 7	19 Thrift Shop 10 – 2 Game Night 7 AA 8	20 Thrift Shop 10 – 2			
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Rev. Dr. Constance Y. Pak **Pastor**

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